

Mark Snow – Eastham Land Records 1650-1745

Mark Snow was the oldest son of Nicholas Snow and Constance Hopkins Snow. He was born in Plymouth in 1628 and he moved to Nauset with his family in 1644. They were one of the original founding families of Eastham. Mark Snow married Anna Cook, daughter of Josiah Cook, in 1655. She died in 1656. Mark married Jane Prence, daughter of Gov. Thomas Prence, in 1661. They had eight children.

Mark Snow succeeded his father as Town Clerk in 1663 and he held that office for twelve years. He also held several other Town positions often for many years including selectman, surveyor, constable, rate maker, jury man and deputy to the General Court. He died in 1695 and probably he is buried in an unmarked grave in Cove Burying Ground. His first wife, Anna, probably is buried in an unmarked grave in Cove. His second wife, Jane, died in the early 1700's in Harwich.

1657

Granted to Mark Snow twenty acres of upland at Stage Neck by the seaside and near Young's Cove. PDF P6.

1659

Granted to Mark Snow three and one-half acres for a house lot next to land of Richard Sparrow. The lot was bounded at three corners by a fence. PDF A176, M76.

Granted to Mark Snow two acres of meadow at Billingsgate adjoining the Mill Meadow, land of John Mayo and the brook that runs to the main creek. PDF A176, M77, S28.

Granted to Mark Snow two acres of meadow at Billingsgate next to land of John Mayo and at the head of the creek. PDF A176, M77, S28.

Granted to Mark Snow one acre of meadow next to land of Job Cole and Thomas Paine. PDF A176, M77, S28.

Granted to Mark Snow twenty acres of upland at Stage Neck at Pochet. Bounds were indicated by a rock and marked trees. PDF A176, M76, M77.

1665

This record refers to Mark Snow owning land at Silver Spring next to land of Jonathan Higgins. This is the only indication found in the records that Snow owned land at Silver Spring. PDF A128.

The Town enlarged the 1659 twenty acre grant to Mark Snow at Stage Neck at Pochet. In exchange the Town took ownership of about one acre from this grant for Town use. The one acre was at the head of a little pond. PDF A176, M76, M77.

1670

It was recorded by the Town that all the upland and meadow granted to Mark Snow in 1659 were for his heirs and assignees to have and to hold forever. PDF A176, M77.

1677

Granted to Mark Snow land at the elbow of the creek at Salt Pond. This land was next to land of Goodman Small and Richard Higgins. PDF M40.

1680

This land record refers to Mark Snow owning land on the southerly side of Namskaket. This is the only indication found in the records that Mark Snow owned land in the Namskaket area. PDF A228.

Granted to Mark Snow about two and one-half acres on the east side of the Satucket River and next to John Freeman's pasture. This area was known as the great old Indian field. PDF A242, M262, S79.

1682

Mark Snow, Capt. Freeman, Capt. Sparrow and Robert Wixam purchased from the Indians land at Keskagaganset for Town use. The land was to be used for a mill to be built by Thomas Paine. PDF 45.

1683

Granted to Mark Snow two acres of land on the northern end of Little Tom's Island on the farther side of Patanumaquit. PDF A243, M241.

1695

Bounds were reset for the acre of land taken by the Town in a land exchange with Mark Snow in 1665. This land was at the head of a little pond at Stage Neck at Pochet. The bank of the pond was gone and the pond had increased in size. This pond was used for fishing. PDF A175, M76, S40.

Granted to Mark Snow six acres of meadow and two acres of upland at Billingsgate. The six acres of meadow were on the easterly side of James Neck. The two acres of upland were between Duck Creek and James Neck. Bounds of these grants were indicated by marked trees. PDF A255, M257, S76.

The Eastham land owned by Mark Snow described in these records amounts to about sixty-five acres. By 1745 not counting his father twenty-nine more Snows received Eastham land grants.